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| In re Patent Application of | MAIL STOP AMENDMENT |
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| Ping Sheng et al. |) Group Art Unit: 3681 |
| Application No.: 10/807,331 | Examiner: RODNEY H BONCK |
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| For: PARALLEL FIELD ELECTRODE CONFIGURATIONS FOR ELECTRORHEOLOGICAL FLUID APPLICATIONS |)))) |

RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This election is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 29, 2005. In the Office Action, the Examiner identified three species, and required the Applicants to elect a single species for prosecution, under 35 U.S.C. §121. The three species identified by the Examiner are:

I – Figures 3(a) and 3(b),II – Figures 5 and 6; andIII – Figures 7(a) and 7(b).

Pursuant to the Examiner's requirement, the Applicants elect Species I illustrated in Figures 3(a) and 3(b). Claims 1-8 read on the elected species. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications.

An early examination and favorable action on the elected species are respectfully requested.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment for

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any additional fees which may be required with respect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

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